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**Top Dope Suspect
Is Reported Ailing**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 (UPI)—Auguste Joseph Ricord, a suspected major international heroin smuggler, was reported ill in jail today with a kidney ailment.

A pre-trial hearing set for Wednesday in Manhattan U.S. District Court was postponed until Sept. 23 by Judge Lee Gagliardi.

Ricord was reported by his attorney, Herbert Handman, to have been taken ill last night at the Federal House of Detention.

Ricord was extradited to the United States from Paraguay on Sept. 2.